

Remarks

Claims 1, 2, 6, 33, 35, and 36 have been amended to further clarify the present invention. Support for the amendments made to the claims can be found, throughout the specification. More specifically support can be found at least, on page 4, lines 3 – 15. Claims 37 - 40 have been canceled. No new matter has been added.

Response

Claims 1 - 14, 16 – 18 and 20 – 40 have been rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent No. 6,009,149 (Langsenkamp). Applicants respectfully disagree. The present invention comprises a method that provides a plurality of users computerized telephone control, wherein one or more of the users may access a direct interface. For those users that have accessed to the interface, a program flow is created by the user supplying views in response to the interactive interface. The created program flows are then used during a series of telephone calls by an automated calling means. As such, the present invention provides a method that allows multiple users to generate program flows which include a series of calls to designated callees. Based in part on the program flow, calls are conducted by a computerized system for each user.

US Patent No. 6,009,149 (Langsenkamp) discloses an automated calling system which provides a single user a means of transmitting a recorded voice message to callees through a plurality of phone lines. As described throughout the Langsenkamp patent, specifically, Column 3, Lines 11 –21, Langsenkamp discloses a system designed only for a single user. (See also Fig. 1). The Langsenkamp system is not designed for, nor can it be used for, multiple users. As shown in Fig. 1, the Langsenkamp system provides a single interface for a single user, and a system telephone which allows the user to record a voice message. As stated in Col. 3, lines 11 – 13, the purpose of the Langsenkamp system is to provide a method for

[n]otifying the public for relevant information about the residences of convicted sex offenders.

Col. 3, lines 12 – 13. Clearly Langsenkamp does not disclose a method for providing a plurality of users computerized telephone control, wherein the users create program flows but are all run by an automated calling means.

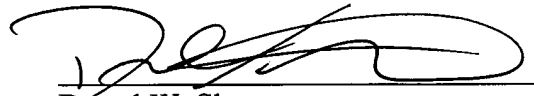
Contrary to Langsenkamp, the present invention does comprise a method for providing a plurality of users computerized telephone control, wherein each user may input a call list and develop a program flow that the automated call system runs. Accordingly, Langsenkamp does not disclose the system as presently claimed. Therefore, Langsenkamp does not anticipate the present invention.

Claims 1, 2, 6, 33, 35, and 36 have been amended to further clarify the present invention.

It is respectfully submitted that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that allowance be granted at the earliest date possible. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding Applicants' amendments or response, the Examiner is asked to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at (215) 575-7194.

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